State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region

> EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT May 12, 2004

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SUBJECT:

Cover sheet for 2nd mailing: NPDES PERMIT REVISION: WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. NAVAL BASE POINT LOMA SAN DIEGO COUNTY (TENTATIVE ADDENDUM NO. 2 TO ORDER NO. R9-2002-0002, DRAFT NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0109363) (Paul J. Richter)

PURPOSE:

To transmit a supporting document that was not included in first

PUBLIC NOTICE:

N/A

DISCUSSION:

None.

COMPLIANCE:

N/A

LEGAL CONCERNS:

None.

SUPPORTING

DOCUMENTS:

6. Letter from US Navy dated November 13, 2003 requesting modification to permit.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt tentative Addendum No. 2 to Order No. R9-2002-0002.



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Nov 13, 2003

Mr. John Robertus
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region
9174 Sky Park Court
San Diego, CA 92123

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Supporting Document 6

Dear Mr. Robertus:

In reference to Monitoring and Reporting Program NO.R9-2002-002 for NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0109363, Waste Discharge Requirements for U.S. Navy, Naval Base Point Loma, San Diego County, the Navy is required to provide written notification to RWQCB Staff at least 48 hours prior to submergence of the floating drydock followed by a recording on VHS videotape the condition of the dry dock immediately prior to each flooding.

Prior to vessel docking, the dry dock is often flooded as a crew training evolution and balancing the float tanks for quality performance. It is the initial flood that we believe is most important to the RWQCB for capturing on videotape. Subsequent flooding for operation performance and vessel loading are performed without industrial activity taking place and would not result in pollutant contamination of the dry dock. The Navy requests that flooding events subsequent to the initial video taped flooding event, in which industrial activity has not taken place, be waived from notification and videotaping requirements.

The Navy recommends a certification statement be added to the ARCO quarterly report in place of notification and videotaping for these events declaring that no industrial activities occurred between the initial video taped flooding event and subsequent flooding events. Once industrial work has occurred within the dry dock, notification and videotaping requirements would again be applied.

Granting this waiver would save man-hours spent videotaping dry dock flooding events when no industrial activities had occurred in the dry dock since the last videotaped flooding event.

If there are any questions regarding this request please feel free to contact me at (619) 524-6417.

Sincerely,

ROBERT A. CHICHESTER

Director, Water Program

By direction of the Commander